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DATA PROCESSING METHOD OF)	
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AND COMPUTER-READABLE)	
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CLAIM TO PRIORITY

Sir:

Applicants hereby claim priority under the International Convention and all rights to which they are entitled under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following Japanese Priority Applications:

Japan 10-263775, filed September 18, 1998; and Japan 11-236888, filed August 24, 1999.

Certified copies of the priority documents were submitted in parent Application No. 09/394,321, to which Applicants claim domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

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